

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1640**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Franz-Christoph Bang
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In response to the Office Action dated October 28, 2009, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.